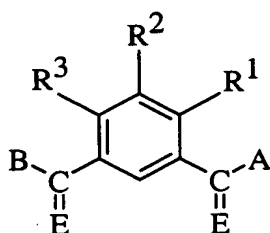


CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method for inhibiting matrix metalloproteinase enzymes in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal an MMP inhibiting amount of a compound of Formula I



wherein:

R^1 , R^2 , and R^3 independently are hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, C_2 - C_6 alkenyl, C_2 - C_6 alkynyl, NO_2 , NR^4R^5 , CN, or CF_3 ;

E is independently O or S;

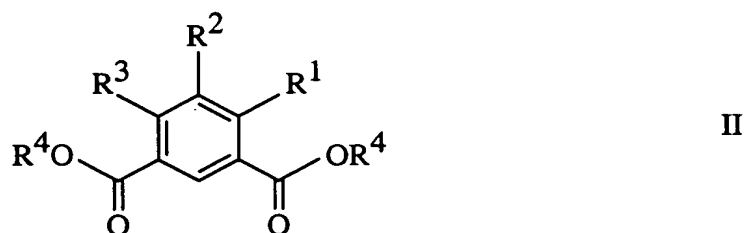
A and B independently are OR^4 or NR^4R^5 ;

each R^4 and R^5 independently are H, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_2 - C_6 alkenyl, C_2 - C_6 alkynyl, $(CH_2)_n$ aryl, $(CH_2)_n$ cycloalkyl, $(CH_2)_n$ heteroaryl, or R^4 and R^5 when taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached complete a 3- to 8-membered ring, optionally containing a heteroatom selected from O, S, or NH, and optionally substituted or unsubstituted;

n is an integer from 0 to 6;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. A method for inhibiting matrix metalloproteinase enzymes in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal an MMP inhibiting amount of a compound of Formula II



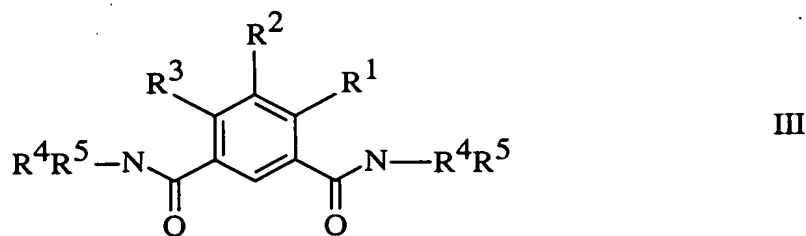
wherein:

R¹, R², and R³ independently are hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, NO₂, NR⁴R⁵, CN, or CF₃; and

R⁴ and R⁵ is independently H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, (CH₂)_n aryl, (CH₂)_n cycloalkyl, or (CH₂)_n heteroaryl, or R⁴ and R⁵ when taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached complete a 3- to 8-membered ring, optionally containing a heteroatom selected from O, S, or NH, and optionally substituted or unsubstituted;

n is an integer from 0 to 6;
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. A method for inhibiting matrix metalloproteinase enzymes in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal an MMP inhibiting amount of a compound of Formula III



wherein:

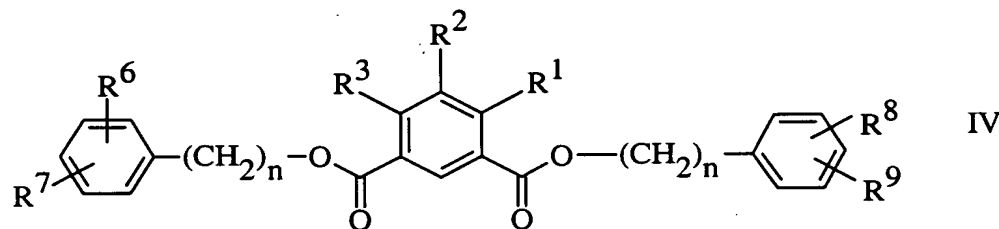
R^1 , R^2 , and R^3 independently are hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, C_2 - C_6 alkenyl, C_2 - C_6 alkynyl, NO_2 , NR^4R^5 , CN, or CF_3 ;

R^4 and R^5 independently are H, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_2 - C_6 alkenyl, C_2 - C_6 alkynyl, $(CH_2)_n$ aryl, $(CH_2)_n$ cycloalkyl, $(CH_2)_n$ heteroaryl, or R^4 and R^5 when taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached complete a 3- to 8-membered ring, optionally containing a heteroatom selected from O, S, or NH, and optionally substituted or unsubstituted;

n is an integer from 0 to 6;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

4. A method for inhibiting matrix metalloproteinase enzymes in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal an MMP inhibiting amount of a compound of Formula IV



wherein:

Each R^1 , R^2 , and R^3 independently are hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, C_2 - C_6 alkenyl, C_2 - C_6 alkynyl, NO_2 , NR^4R^5 , CN, or CF_3 ;

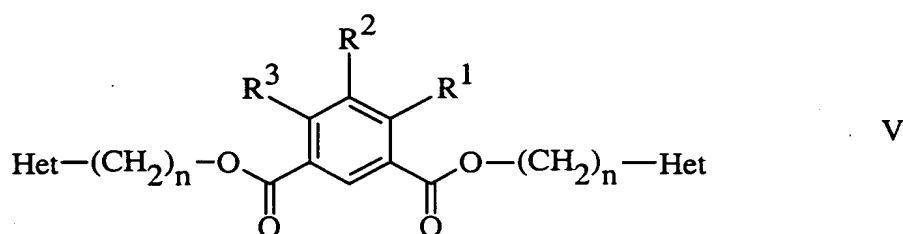
Each R^4 and R^5 independently are H, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_2 - C_6 alkenyl, C_2 - C_6 alkynyl, $(CH_2)_n$ aryl, $(CH_2)_n$ cycloalkyl, $(CH_2)_n$ heteroaryl, or R^4 and R^5 when taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached complete a 3- to 8-membered ring, optionally containing a heteroatom selected from O, S, or NH, and optionally substituted or unsubstituted;

R^6 , R^7 , R^8 , and R^9 independently are hydrogen, halo, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, nitro, or NH_2 ; and

n is an integer from 0 to 6;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

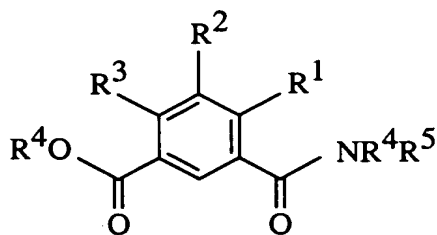
- 5 5. A method for inhibiting matrix metalloproteinase enzymes in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal an MMP inhibiting amount of a compound of Formula V



wherein:

- 10 R^1 , R^2 , and R^3 independently are hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, C_2 - C_6 alkenyl, C_2 - C_6 alkynyl, NO_2 , NR^4R^5 , CN , or CF_3 , and Het is an unsubstituted or substituted heteroaryl group;
- R^4 and R^5 independently are H, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_2 - C_6 alkenyl, C_2 - C_6 alkynyl, $(CH_2)_n$ aryl, $(CH_2)_n$ cycloalkyl, $(CH_2)_n$ heteroaryl, or R^4 and R^5 when taken together with the nitrogen to which they are
- 15 attached complete a 3- to 8-membered ring, optionally containing a heteroatom selected from O, S, or NH, and optionally substituted or unsubstituted;
- n is an integer from 0 to 6;
- 20 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

6. A method for inhibiting matrix metalloproteinase enzymes in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal an MMP inhibiting amount of a compound of Formula VI



VI

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof,

wherein:

R¹, R², and R³ independently are hydrogen, halo, hydroxy, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkoxy, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, NO₂, NR⁴R⁵, CN, or CF₃;

R⁴ and R⁵ independently are H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, (CH₂)_n aryl, (CH₂)_n cycloalkyl, (CH₂)_n heteroaryl, or R⁴ and R⁵ when taken together with the nitrogen to which they are attached complete a 3- to 8-membered ring, optionally containing a heteroatom selected from O, S, or NH, and optionally substituted or unsubstituted; and

n is an integer from 0 to 6.

7. A compound selected from:

4-Methoxy-N,N'-bis-(4-methoxybenzyl)-isophthalamide;

Isophthalic acid di-(2,1,3-benzothiadiazol-5-yl) methyl ester;

4-Methoxy-isophthalic acid dibenzyl ester;

4-Methoxy-isophthalic acid dipyridin-4-ylmethyl ester;

Isophthalic acid bis-(4-fluoro-benzyl) ester;

Isophthalic acid bis-(3-fluoro-benzyl) ester;

Isophthalic acid bis-(4-methoxy-benzyl) ester;

Isophthalic acid bis-(3-methoxy-benzyl) ester;

Isophthalic acid bis-(1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl) ester;

N,N'-Bis-(3-fluoro-benzyl)-isophthalamide;

4-Acetyl-isophthalic acid dibenzyl ester;

4-Methoxycarbonylmethoxy-isophthalic acid dibenzyl ester;

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N,N'-Bis-1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-methoxy-isophthalamide;
N-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-methoxy-N'-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-
isophthalamide;
4-Methoxy-N,N'-bis-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
5 N-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-N'-(4-chloro-benzyl)-4-methoxy-
isophthalamide;
N-Benzyl-4-methoxy-N'-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N'-Benzyl-4-methoxy-N-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
4-Methoxy-N-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-N'-pyridin-4-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;
10 N'-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-methoxy-N-(2-phenoxy-ethyl)-
isophthalamide;
N-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-methoxy-N'-(2-phenoxy-ethyl)-
isophthalamide;
N-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-N'-furan-2-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;
15 N'-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-N-(2-ethoxy-ethyl)-4-methoxy-
isophthalamide;
N,N'-Bis-(3-hydroxymethyl-phenyl)-isophthalamide;
N-Benzyl-4-methoxy-N'-(2-phenoxy-ethyl)-isophthalamide;
4-Methoxy-N,N'-bis-(4-methyl-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
20 4-Methoxy-N,N'-bis-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-methoxy-N'-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-
isophthalamide;
N-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-isophthalamic acid,
(4-carboxyphenyl)methyl ester;
25 4-{[3-(3-Methoxy-benzylcarbamoyl)-benzoylamino]-methyl}-benzoic
acid;
4-Methoxy-isophthalic acid di-2,1,3-benzothiadiazol-5-ylmethyl ester;
4-{[3-(3-Methoxy-benzylcarbamoyl)-benzoylamino]-methyl}-benzoic acid
methyl ester;
30 N-(3-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-(4-nitro-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N-(3,4-Dichloro-benzyl)-N'-pyridin-4-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;

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- 5 N1,N3-Bis-1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-ethoxy-isophthalamide;
N-(4-Chloro-benzyl)-N'-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N-(3,4-Dichloro-benzyl)-N'-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N-(4-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N,N'-Bis-(4-fluoro-3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
4-Ethoxy-N1,N3-bis-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N1,N3-Bis-1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-ethoxy-isophthalamide;
N-(3-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-pyridin-3-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;
N-(3-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-pyridin-4-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;
10 N1-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-N3-pyridin-3-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;
N-(3-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-(3-trifluoromethoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N1,N3-Bis-1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-isopropoxy-isophthalamide;
4-Isopropoxy-N1,N3-bis-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N1-Benzyl-4-methoxy-N3-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
15 N1-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-methoxy-N3-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-
isophthalamide;
N1-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-methoxy-N3-(2-phenoxy-ethyl)-
isophthalamide;
N1-Benzyl-4-methoxy-N3-(2-phenoxy-ethyl)-isophthalamide;
20 N1-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-N3-(4-chloro-benzyl)-4-methoxy-
isophthalamide;
N3-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-methoxy-N1-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-
isophthalamide;
N3-Benzyl-4-methoxy-N1-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
25 N3-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-methoxy-N1-(2-phenoxy-ethyl)-
isophthalamide;
N3-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-N1-(2-ethoxy-ethyl)-4-methoxy-
isophthalamide;
4-Methoxy-N1-(4-methoxy-benzyl)-N3-pyridin-4-ylmethyl-
30 isophthalamide;
4-Amino-N1,N3-bis-1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;
4-Acetyl-amino-N1,N3-bis-1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;

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N-(3-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-pyridin-3-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;
N-(3-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-pyridin-4-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;
N1-1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-N3-pyridin-3-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;
N-(4-Chloro-benzyl)-N'-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
5 N-(3,4-Dichloro-benzyl)-N'-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N-(4-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N-(3-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-(4-methyl-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N,N'-Bis-(4-fluoro-3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
(({3-[(1,3-Benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl)-carbamoyl]-benzoyl}-benzyl-amino)-
10 acetic acid;
N-Benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-ylmethyl-isophthalamide(4-hydroxymethyl-benzoic
acid) ester;
N-(3,4-Dichloro-benzyl)-N'-pyridin-4-ylmethyl-isophthalamide;
N-(3-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-(4-nitro-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
15 4-{{[3-(3-Methoxy-benzylcarbamoyl)-benzoylamino]-methyl}}-benzoic acid
methyl ester;
N-3-methoxybenzyl-isophthalamide(4-hydroxymethyl-benzoic acid) ester;
4-{{[3-(3-Methoxy-benzylcarbamoyl)-benzoylamino]-methyl}}-benzoic
acid;
20 N-(3-Amino-benzyl)-N'-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N-(3-Methoxy-benzyl)-N'-(3-nitro-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
4-Ethoxy-N'1,N''3-bis-(3-methoxy-benzyl)-isophthalamide;
N1,N3-Bis-1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-ethoxy-isophthalamide;
N1,N3-Bis-1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-propoxy-isophthalamide;
25 N1,N3-Bis-1,3-benzodioxol-5-ylmethyl-4-isopropoxy-isophthalamide;
N1,N3-Bis-2,1,3-benzothiadiazol-5-ylmethyl-4-methoxy-isophthalamide;
and
4-Methoxy-isophthalic acid di-2,1,3-benzothiadiazol-5-ylmethyl ester.

8. A pharmaceutical composition, comprising a compound of Claim 1, or a
30 pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, admixed with a pharmaceutically
acceptable carrier, diluent, or excipient.

9. A pharmaceutical composition for inhibiting MMP-13 in a mammal, comprising an MMP-13 inhibiting amount of a compound of Claim 1, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, admixed with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, diluent, or excipient.
10. A method for inhibiting MMP-13 in an animal, comprising administering to the animal an MMP-13 inhibiting amount of a compound of Formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
11. A method for treating a disease mediated by an MMP-13 enzyme, comprising administering to a patient suffering from such a disease an effective amount of a compound of Formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
12. A method for treating a cancer, comprising administering to a patient suffering from such a disease an anticancer effective amount of a compound of Formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
13. A method for treating breast carcinoma, comprising administering to a patient suffering from such a disease an anticancer effective amount of a compound of Formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
14. A method for treating a rheumatoid arthritis, comprising administering to a patient suffering from such a disease an effective amount of a compound of Formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
15. A method for treating a osteoarthritis, comprising administering to a patient suffering from such a disease an effective amount of a compound of Formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

16. A method for treating a heart failure, comprising administering to a patient suffering from such a disease an effective amount of a compound of Formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

5 17. A method for treating a inflammation, comprising administering to a patient suffering from such a disease an effective amount of a compound of Formula I, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

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